Welfare of Depressed Classes.

*Q.—190. Sri M. HANUMANTHAIAH (Nelamangala).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that committees have been constituted at district and taluk levels to look after the welfare of the people of Depressed Classes;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is a Special Officer to look after their advancement;

(c) the number of vans and jeeps placed at the disposal of the said officer in order to enable him to supervise the execution of house-building and other schemes concerning those people?

A.—Sri N. RACHIAH (Minister for Social Welfare, Excise and Prohibition).—

(a) Yes. Only Taluk Advisory Committees have been constituted. No Committees have been constituted at district level.

(b) Yes. The Director of Social Welfare looks after the advancement of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Denotified Tribes and Nomadic and Semi-nomadic Tribes, at State level.

(c) No jeeps or vans have been provided so far.

Repairs to Minor Tanks in Pavagada and Sira Taluks.

*Q.—333. Sri P. ANJANAPPA (Sira).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of minor tanks taken up for repairs in Pavagada and Sira Taluks during the last two years;

(b) the names of such tanks?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a)

Year	*Pavagada Taluk.*	*Sira Taluk.*
1956-57	2	1
1957-58	3	2

(b) *Vide* list appended.

LIST OF MINOR TANKS TAKEN UP FOR REPAIRS IN PAVAGADA AND SIRA TALUKS.

Sl. No.	*Name of the Tank.*
	PAVAGADA TALUK
	During 1956-57—
1	Strengthening the bund and improving Veerammanahalli Chikkaramappanakatte.
2	Strengthening the bund and improving Vadanakal Roddaiahnakattee.
	During 1957-58—
1	Closing the breach and repairs to Kothur Subbarayanakere.
2	Closing the leak and other repairs to Rajawanthi Tank.
3	Closing the leak in Arolikunte Krishnambundhi Tank.
	SIRA TALUK.
	During 1956-57—
1	Constructing a C.I. Pipe sluice in place of damaged one and repairs to the waste-weir of Ramenahalli Tank.
	During 1957-58—
1	Urgent repairs to feeder channel to Hegganahalli Tank.
2	Urgent repairs to sluice of Gummanahalli Tank.

Allotment of Districts to Deputy Ministers for redressing Public Grievances.

*Q.—378. Sri M. P. PATIL (Hukkeri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Minister announced a few months ago a scheme of allotting particular districts to particular Deputy Minister for redressing grievances of the people thereof;

(b) if so whether the scheme is in operation at present;

(c) the districts which are allotted to each of the Deputy Ministers;

(d) the number of complaints received by each Deputy Minister from the allotted districts till the end of December 1958 and how many of them have been redressed?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) *Vide* column 3 of the statement appended.

(d) Number of petitions received are shown in column 4 of the statement below.

The grievances or requests contained in the petitions are looked into, dealt with and disposed of by different authorities at different levels of Government and therefore it is not possible to indicate the exact number of petitions redressed.

STATEMENT.

Sl. No.	*Designation of Deputy Ministers*		*Districts allotted*		*Number of Petitions received*
1	Deputy Minister for Home	...	1 Bijapur		112
			2 Belgaum		75
			3 Bellary		86
			4 Raichur		45
2	Deputy Minister for Rural Industries	...	1 Bidar		7
			2 Coorg		22
			3 Chikmagalur		49
3	Deputy Minister for Education	...	1 Mandya		6
			2 Bangalore		72
			3 Gulbarga		15
4	Deputy Minister for Finance	...	1 Hassan		28
			2 South Kanara		118
			3 Dharwar		259
5	Deputy Minister for Planning and Development.		1 Kolar 2 Mysore 3 North Kanara		292
6	Deputy Minister for Public Works and Electricity.		1 Chitradurga 2 Tumkur 3 Shimoga		259

Cases of Illicit Distillation in Davangere and Harihar Taluks.

*Q.—426. Sri K. T. JAMBANNA (Davangere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of cases of illicit distillation filed in Davangere and Harihar Taluks during the last five years up to end of January 1959 in which both manufacturers and consumers were involved;

(b) the number of cases in which punishment was awarded?